

BRITISH ARE PREPARING FOR ANOTHER DRIVE

French Pressing Germans, Who Have Retired at Many Points.

GERMANY MAKES RUSSIA PEACE OFFER

Fresh Engagements Reported Again With British on the Offensive.

Associated Press Summary.
British troops are striking along almost the entire line they hold in Northern France, not with the terrific force which marked the victories of Arras and Messines, but in a more or less tentative manner, giving weight to the belief that Field Marshal Haig is preparing to launch a mighty blow on a hitherto unprecedented scale. Two features of the fighting stand out with sharp significance. The first is the feebleness with which the Germans are reacting and the second is the surprising promptness with which Berlin admits retreats in various sectors.

The whole situation is entirely similar to that existing prior to the great "strategic retreat" of the Germans from the Somme. There is considerable evidence that Field Marshal von Hindenburg is planning a great withdrawal and that Field Marshal Haig is pressing him at all points in the hope of delivering a shattering blow if such a second "retreat to victory" materializes.

The Italians, having successfully maintained their advance in the face of the most formidable Austrian counter attacks, are apparently preparing for a resumption of their offensive. Vienna reports that the Italian guns have opened with the greatest violence in Carinthia, indicating that General Cadorna has chosen a new sector in which to deliver his next blow. The scene of the bombardment is some thirty miles north of Gorizia and an offensive in this region would support the reports that the Italian commander has far more ambitious plans than even the conquest of Trieste.

Spanish Disorders.
The upheaval caused by the great war which has already hurled two monarchs from their thrones now menaces the ancient throne in Spain. The utmost exertions of the Spanish censors have failed to completely suppress the reports of grave happenings. From what little is known the Spanish army is taking the lead in the revolutionary movement which is further accelerated by the food scarcity and industrial unrest. Rumors of revolt have been current for several months and at the end of May it was announced that the constitutional guarantees would be suspended while the government prohibited all public manifestations in respect to international questions. This was followed by an outbreak at Barcelona on June 1, the seriousness of which was indicated by the fact that the soldiers sided with the revolution and imprisoned a number of their officers.

The exact part which the issues of the war play in the Spanish crisis is difficult to determine. The masses of the people have been generally credited with being strongly pro-ally in sentiment while the aristocracy leaned toward the side of Germany. At the same time the demand for internal reform and other domestic questions have apparently had a leading role in the growing unrest.

No new developments have occurred in the Greek situation, but the triumphant return to Athens of Venizelos is predicted in England, a step almost certain to be followed by the definite alignment of Greece on the side of the entente. The violence of German comments on the abdication of King Constantine shows how strongly the disappearance of the kaiser's royal ally has affected Berlin.

Last night saw the British clinch their hold upon the ground they gained last Thursday on the Belgian front, south of the Ypres-Comines canal. A German attack, delivered after strong artillery preparation was completely repulsed.

Along the French front the operations were mostly confined to raids. Indirect advice from Berlin indicates that the Germans are expecting a renewal of the French offensive in the near future.

On the Austro-Italian front, a very strongly fortified position at Cornò Cavento was carried by the Italians, says today's official bulletin from Rome.

Peace reports are again in the air. Stockholm has one today, telling of an offer by Germany of a separate peace to Russia. A socialist newspaper there printed the account, according to which a Swiss federal councilor is the medium of the offer, which

First Escambia County Melons On the Market

Summer time has definitely come. Summer is not determined by the calendar or by the temperature; summer comes with the first watermelon, and Escambia county's first melons reached the local market yesterday.

They are the product of the Diaz farms; the crop is a little late on account of the drought, but the melons are firm and of delicious flavor.

Altogether, Carlos Diaz brought in about 1,100—and as there are about 30,000 mouths here, it stands to reason that there will have to be a lot of divvying up, for there must be no selective draft where melons are concerned!

The Diaz farms have 90 acres of melons. They are producing at the rate of 3,000 to the acre. Planted on February 26, the seed sprouted on March 6, missing the freeze of the 4th. They ran into the freeze of March 18 and 19, but Mr. Diaz covered the entire crop with paper lard trays. He covered and uncovered them twice, each operation taking the crew of fifteen men about three hours. This saved the crop, and the cost only came to \$1.50 an acre, counting the trays. "It was the cheapest insurance I ever took," said Mr. Diaz. "I have the trays for next year, too. A little care and a little work, and you can't help but make good here."

EASTERN POT NOW BOILING

JAPAN RESENTS INTERFERENCE OF UNITED STATES IN CHINA; FOLLOWS ACTION OF GREAT BRITAIN.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Washington, June 16.—Japan has taken action similar to Great Britain's in refusing to associate herself with the American action in asking factions in China to compose their differences, it was said today at the state department. No reason was given for the action of either nation, but it is assumed that neither felt that the American action would be successful.

Japan is known to resent that the United States sent its note to China, feeling that it disregarded the special position Japan claims for herself there. The whole question, from what little is being divulged by the state department, seems to have arisen from a series of misunderstandings.

As nearly as can be learned, the United States on June 4 addressed a friendly note to China, asking the factions to compose their differences. At about the same time Great Britain, France and Japan were invited to take some steps toward the restoration of order in China.

On June 8 the first public intimation of America's actual action came in a dispatch from Peking, quoting the text of the American note, given out apparently by the Chinese authorities.

On June 9 there appeared in the Tokio Asahi, not this real text, but a dispatch from New York consisting of newspaper comment. The Japanese were doubly disturbed, first by the seeming direct interference in China's affairs and second by the knowledge that America had already taken her action while negotiations were apparently still under way.

Today again from a foreign source comes the first word of the original American suggestion that other governments associate themselves in the move to restore order in China. Great Britain is reported to have expressed general agreement with America's policy, but to view the situation from a slightly different angle.

Meanwhile, China is understood not to have replied to the American note, though reports indicate that it was "favorably received."

The state department is not making public any of its dispatches about the revolution, but news dispatches indicate that General Chang Hsun, head of the military faction, has arrived as a dictator in Peking following President Li's compliance with his demand to dissolve parliament. Whether this means the restoration of a monarchy hinted at, is uncertain.

France, also asked by this country to take action, has not yet formally replied, but it is expected that she will follow the United States now that Great Britain and Japan have refused to do so.

REMARKABLE TIME MADE IN 250-MILE AUTO RACE
Chicago, June 16.—Driving the entire distance without a stop, Earl Cooper, driving a Stutz, won the 250-mile automobile race at Speedway Park today in two hours, twenty-five minutes and thirty-eight seconds. With the first place went a prize of \$8,000 and a silver trophy.

ON WITH THE LIBERTY FIGHT SAYS RUSSIANS

Will Fight Alongside U. S. for "Liberty and Happiness of the World."

SAYS THE RUSSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER

To Root, Who Says, Democracy Is the Only Object of the United States.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Petrograd June 16.—"Russian people consider war inevitable and will continue it. The Russians have no imperialistic wishes. We know you have done. We shall fight together to secure liberty and happiness for all the world. Russia is fighting tyranny and America as the oldest democracy hand in hand will show the way to the happiness of nations great and small."

These ringing words expressing the attitude of the Russian government to America and the American mission, were voiced tonight by Minister of Foreign Affairs Tereshtenko, responding to Root's address at the council of ministers conveying the sympathy and good will of the American government.

Ambassador Francis presented the Root mission by explaining it had come to Russia to discover how best America can cooperate with its ally in forwarding the fight against the common enemy.

Addressing the council of ministers Root said, "America sends another message to Russia. We are to fight together and stand equally with our own and we ask you to fight for our freedom equally with yours."

Root laid stress on the American disinterestedness except in so far as conserving the democracy concerned, declaring "America sees no party, no class, but the great Russia as a whole, one mighty, striving, aspiring democracy."

STRANGER FACES A CHARGE OF SLACKER

Alex. Siegel is the name given by a stranger arrested yesterday by police authorities as a dangerous and suspicious character, and later on it developed that though within the age limit, he failed to register on June 5.

The young man is said to have registered for enlistment at the naval recruiting station during the day, but will probably be called on to explain the reason for his failure to register for selective draft.

Siegel, arriving here a few days previously, engaged in singing late popular songs as a demonstrator for the publishers. It is said that he informed the officers yesterday that his home was in New Jersey, and it is understood that federal officials traced him from that point when it was shown that he had failed to register there.

NINE AND A HALF REGISTER, INDICATED

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Registrations totaling 8,987,000 were reported tonight from forty-five states and the District of Columbia. Massachusetts, Wyoming and Kentucky are expected to bring the grand total up to nine and a half millions. By the time the registration rolls are complete officials will probably be ready to proceed to the selections of the first war army increment.

CONGRESS DELAYS FOOD LAW—WILSON ACTS

WASHINGTON, June 16.—Congress' delay in passing food legislation drew from the president today an order to Herbert Hoover to proceed immediately with the organization of the new food administration insofar as it contemplates the elimination of waste through co-operation of volunteer forces. Plans for enlisting every housewife in the country as a volunteer member of the food administration were announced by Hoover.

He expects to reach women through the state defense councils and women's organizations. The food control measure was reported to the senate today without recommendations and will be taken up in both houses on Monday.

BRITISH SUBJECTS 18 TO 45 YEARS, BE MADE TO JOIN COLORS
New York, June 16.—All male British subjects between the ages of 18 and 45 years will be compelled to join the colors, it became known today. Gen. White, in charge of the recruiting, has gone to Washington to confer on a method for carrying the plan through.

Teachers Summer School to Open Tomorrow at Clubbs

Tomorrow morning at nine o'clock the summer school for Escambia will open in the Clubbs building, with what is considered the best corps of instructors obtainable. While enrollment is not yet open, it is expected that when school is opened for organization tomorrow, the largest number of students ever to attend will be present.

The school is intended primarily for teachers, and those who intend to become teachers, but it is not confined to these restrictions. It issues no certificates, or diplomas, but those who have studied there are naturally better equipped than those who have not, and therefore given preference.

Six able instructors will conduct the school, who will teach history and civics, which will be headed by Prof. Ross Rogers, principal of the high school. Prof. Charles C. Denny, graduate of the department of education, Peabody Institute, will be in charge of the department of education and English.

Miss Sue C. Cleaton, also a graduate of the Peabody Institute, and director of rural education for the State Normal and Industrial College for Women, at Milledgeville, Ga., will have charge of the primary work in the summer school.

Prof. A. D. Allbritton, principal of the agricultural high school at Gonzalez, and with wide experience, will have charge of the science department.

Prof. William Tyler, head of the commercial department of the Pensacola high school, will direct the department of mathematics and geography.

Miss Helen Carter, head of the domestic science department of the Pensacola high school, will be in charge of the domestic science work. The term of instruction in the summer school lasts six weeks.

Blind Tiger on Wheels Is Discovered—Alabama Bound

While serving subpoenas on jury-men Friday afternoon at McDavid, Deputies Mayo and Lester Van Pelt located a blind tiger on wheels, being an automobile from Alabama, which had visited Pensacola and had loaded up on cases and bottled liquor for disposition in some manner beyond the Florida state line. The car was occupied by two white men and two negroes, and as the quantity of liquor thus carried was quite beyond that prohibited by the Florida legislature, the entire party were placed under arrest, charged with violating said law.

The occupants of the car were W. R. Faulk and Albert Clements, white, and Nahum Daniel and Hardy Berry, colored.

Arraigned in the court of record yesterday, Faulk pleaded guilty for the bunch, and Judge C. M. Jones fined him \$100 and costs or six months in the county jail, and as he took upon himself the entire claim and possession of liquor, sentence was not passed on the other defendants. They were released from custody.

Piled up at the sheriff's office yesterday was the entire lot of confiscated liquor. Several cases were in the lot. According to report, the lot consisted of two dozen bottles of beer, four dozen half-pint bottles of whiskey, two dozen pints of whiskey and four full quart bottles of whiskey.

This is one of the largest bone dry hauls yet made by the sheriff's office. It is claimed that they had transported the entire lot into precinct 18, at McDavid, where trouble with their auto was encountered. It was in that plight they were found by the deputies who returned them to Pensacola.

LOCKEY SCHOOL HAS BEST VEGETABLE GARDEN AND SCHOOL NO. 35 BEST FLOWER GARDEN—INDIVIDUAL AWARDS NEXT.

Awards so far in the City Beautiful Contest have been made to: John R. Lockey School, prize for the best school vegetable garden. School 35, prize for the best school flower garden.

Individual awards will be made later, as soon as the different flower and vegetable gardens can be examined. There are something like 400 entries, and the committee have mailed cards to each entry, asking that a report on the work to date be furnished. When the card is received properly filled out, suggesting that the entry made a sincere effort to compete, the committee will visit the exhibit and estimate its score.

In case any of the cards miscarried, the entries can secure extra ones from Will C. Diefenderfer, at 14 South Palafox street.

The City Beautiful Committee making the awards consist of C. F. Zeek, J. H. Sherrill, Rev. John H. Brown, Walker D. Willis, Will C. Diefenderfer.

PEACE TERMS HAVE SANCTION GERMANY

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
London, June 16.—Peace terms proposed by the German majority of socialists at the Stockholm conference reached London today. They derive a special interest from the fact that their previous publication in a German socialist paper, Vorwarts, proves they had passed the German censorship. They agree with the Petrograd delegation of soldiers and workmen's delegates in proposing a peace without indemnities or annexations and repudiate any compensation for damages suffered by the war.

They say Belgium, Serbia and other states that lost their independence, including Russian Poland, should retain it. They reject the cession of Alsace-Lorraine to France, and demand the restoration of German colonies.

SAYS FIRE TO BOIL EGGS, NOT BURN STATION
An affidavit for the arrest of Douglas Navarre, of Warrington, was sworn out yesterday by federal authorities and yesterday afternoon he was brought to the city and locked in the county jail, charged with setting fire to the naval reservation. He will be given a preliminary hearing Monday morning before the commissioner.

NEARLY THREE NEXT DRIVE BILLION FOR WILL BE FOR LIBERTY LOAN RECRUITING

Total of \$2,291,000,000 Is Indicated. Final Figures Ready Monday.

COUNTRY'S RESPONSE WAS OVERWHELMING

Feature Is the Amount Taken by the Navy. Total—\$3,000,000

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Washington, June 16.—So overwhelming was the country's response to the Liberty Loan that officials were unable at noon today, 24 hours after the closing of the books, to strike more than an approximate of the huge total.

Only one reserve district, Atlanta, had completed its work of tabulating the totals at that hour. Estimates from the other eleven districts sent the probable aggregate for the country rising to new high levels.

The totals of figures that had actually been tabulated in New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Chicago, Cleveland and San Francisco—where, with the exception of Atlanta the work of compiling the totals was still in progress—and of official estimates of totals in the other districts showed a subscription of at least \$2,815,500,000 representing only a portion of the full amount.

Estimates of all districts, including the official tabulated returns from Atlanta, sent the prospective total to \$2,951,000,000. These figures include \$1,500,000 subscribed in the Philippines, but did not include any that had been made public.

Official estimates made at the respective reserve banks and tabulations follow:

New York—Tabulated \$1,050,000,000; estimated (last night) \$1,200,000,000.
Boston—Tabulated (late yesterday) \$263,300,000; estimated \$270,000,000 to \$300,000,000.
Philadelphia—Tabulated \$228,000,000.
Richmond—Estimated \$103,000,000.
Atlanta—Final tabulation \$58,500,000.
Chicago—Tabulated \$345,000,000.
Cleveland—Tabulated \$276,200,000; estimated \$280,000,000.
St. Louis—Estimated \$90,000,000.
Minneapolis—Estimated \$92,000,000.
Kansas City—Estimated \$90,000,000.
Dallas—Estimated \$48,000,000.
San Francisco—Tabulated \$171,000,000 estimated \$180,000,000.

Assuming New York's big estimate of \$1,200,000,000 as approximately correct and allowing for shrinkage of \$50,000,000 there and in other districts from the totals of all estimates it appeared that the total would reach \$2,900,000,000.

No estimates, official or unofficial, were forthcoming at the treasury department.

Indications were that the final returns would not be available before Monday. Even then there probably will be only an approximate idea as to the total number of subscribers. Reports from nearly every section today told of increases in the number. It may be ten days before there can be a final counting of individuals who have subscribed.

What is regarded as one of the most remarkable showings came from the navy department. The department and the ships took an estimated total of \$3,000,000.

AMERICA IN WAR TO CRUSH PRUSSIANISM

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.
Princeton, June 16.—America has counted the cost of entering the war and is ready to pay the price no matter how great a sacrifice, to secure a world triumph for democracy and of crushing Prussian despotism, declared Secretary Lansing at Princeton commencement today.

French Ambassador Jusserand said the French people are revived by the action of America. "We have faith in omens," he added, "and we remember America never lost a war."

Honorary degrees were conferred on Lansing, Hoover and a number of ambassadors from allied countries.

RUSSIA IRREVOCABLY OPPOSES SEPARATE PEACE
Petrograd, June 16.—A stirring proclamation, placing the council of workmen and soldiers delegates on record as irrevocably opposed to a separate peace, was adopted today. The proclamation was prompted by Austria's efforts to lure Russia into a separate peace.

BRITISH MAKE GAINS AND TAKE PRISONERS
London, June 16.—The battlefront south of Ypres, in Flanders, British made additional gains and took more prisoners, according to an official report tonight.

Florida Short on Enlistments. Need 37 a Day to Make Quota.

URGE PENSACOLIANS TO VOLUNTEER NOW

Volunteering Will Enable Men to Pick Out the Service They Prefer.

Florida has fallen short of her allotment of men to be supplied to the army and navy, and the recruiting figures in Pensacola show that this city is not doing her bit in manpower, and unless she makes a rally will lose the prestige won by the Liberty Loan.

Both recruiting stations believe it possible that the young men misunderstood the workings of the draft system, and have not enlisted in either branch of the service, because of the belief that they must now wait to be drafted. This is not the intention of the law, as anyone who has registered, and presents his card, showing that he has registered, will be enlisted for service.

To those who have registered, and are subject to draft, the appeal of the army and navy is especially addressed for at present they can select what branch of the service they shall serve in but when the selective draft is effective they cannot choose, but must go where ordered. Perhaps one who prefers the navy will wait until drafted and then will be obliged to serve in the army. Now a man can exercise his own preference.

Florida was very unsatisfactory for May, and all stations are urged to make a special effort to bring the total up to the requirement. If Florida is to attain her military quota, there must be 37 enlistments a day between now and July 1.

The army station will renew its poster campaign in Pensacola and the surrounding territory, and new posters and outdoor advertising will be received either today or tomorrow.

MILTON SHIP PLANTS BOOM, SAY TOMASELLO

Peter Tomasello arrived in Pensacola yesterday morning from Baghdad, and spent the day in the city attending to private business, though he had time to stop a few minutes and tell about the prosperity of Milton, now that the Bagdad Shipbuilding Company is beginning operations. Already a number of men have been placed at work, said Mr. Tomasello, and it is expected that within a few weeks more than two hundred will be employed in the construction of ships. The opening of the big industry means much to Milton and West Florida, and once started will no doubt become permanent.

TOTAL SUBSCRIPTION BE ANNOUNCED MONDAY

Washington, June 16.—Secretary McAdoo announced tonight no part of the great over-subscription to the Liberty Loan will be accepted. This announcement will result in paring down hundreds of the larger subscriptions until the total reaches two billions. It seems certain that the over-subscription will not fall below seven hundred millions and may go as high as nine hundred millions. The grand total of subscriptions received will not be shown until Monday, and possibly later.

MORE THAN \$50,000,000 IN THE ATLANTA DISTRICT

Atlanta, June 16.—Chairman Wellborn of the board of directors of the Sixth federal reserve district, said tonight that the total subscriptions of the district had reached a "little more than fifty-nine millions."

GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE OVER ALL PAPER MILLS

Washington, June 16.—A resolution proposing the government take over and operate during the war all news print paper mills, may be introduced Monday by Senator Owen. The direction, manufacture and distribution of print paper by a federal agency in co-operation with the Canadian government, is proposed.

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